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ON PETITION

In re Application of  
Kennedy  
Application No. 09/510,607  
Filed: February 22, 2000  
Attorney Docket No. 020431.0662

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This is a decision on the renewed petition filed March 14, 2006, under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

A non-final Office action was mailed on January 16, 2003.

The Office failed to receive a reply.

A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 18, 2005.

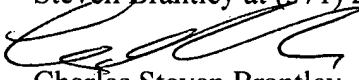
Petitioner alleges a reply to the Office action was transmitted by facsimile to the Office on April 2, 2003.

Petitioner has supplied a showing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(b) demonstrating a reply was timely filed in response to the January 16, 2003 Office action.

The Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

Technology Center Art Unit 3626 will be informed of the instant decision and the examiner will further consider the merits of the application in due course.

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